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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 3, 2008 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is in response to the December 3, 2008 Final Office Action. Applicants are filing this Response within the shortened statutory period set to expire on February 3, 2009. Specifically, Applicants are filing this Reply within two-months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action.

Applicants also submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and the required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) and submit a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants believe no additional fees are due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 25619-501.

A listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper is included for the Examiner's convenience. Applicants have not amended the claims in this response.

Remarks are shown starting on page 3 of this paper.